

The New Millennium Program: Serving Earth and Space Sciences

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NASA has exciting plans for space science and Earth observations during the next decade. A broad range of advanced spacecraft and measurement technologies will be needed to support these plans within the existing budget and schedule constraints. Many of these technology needs are common to both NASA's Office of Earth Science (OES) and Office of Space Sciences (OSS). Even though some breakthrough technologies have been identified to address these needs, project managers have traditionally been reluctant to incorporate them into flight programs because of their inherent development risk. To accelerate the infusion of new technologies into its OES and OSS missions, NASA established the New Millennium Program (NMP). This program analyzes the capability needs of these enterprises, identifies candidate technologies to address these needs, incorporates advanced technology suites into validation flights, validates them in the relevant space environment, and then proactively infuses the validated technologies into future missions to enhance their capabilities while reducing their life cycle cost.

The NMP employs a cross-enterprise Science Working Group, the NASA Enterprise science and technology roadmaps to define the capabilities needed by future Earth and Space science missions. Additional input from the science community is gathered through open workshops and peer-reviewed NASA Research Announcements (NRAs) for advanced measurement concepts. Technology development inputs from the technology organizations within NASA, other government agencies, federally funded research and development centers (FFRDC's), U.S. industry, and academia are sought to identify breakthrough technologies that might address these needs. This approach significantly extends NASA's technology infrastructure.

To complement other flight test programs that develop or validate individual components, the NMP places its highest priority on system-level validations of technology suites in the relevant space environment. This approach is not needed for all technologies, but it is usually essential to validate advanced system architectures or new measurement concepts. The NMP has recently revised its processes for defining candidate validation flights, and selecting technologies for these flights. The NMP now employs integrated project formulation teams, which include scientists, technologists, and mission planners, to incorporate technology suites into candidate validation flights.

These teams develop competing concepts, which can be rigorously evaluated prior to selection for flight. The technology providers for each concept are selected through an open, competitive, process during the project formulation phase. If their concept is selected for flight, they are incorporated into the Project Implementation Team, which develops, integrates, tests, launches, and operates the technology validation flight. Throughout the project implementation phase, the Implementation Team will document and disseminate their validation results to facilitate the infusion of their validated technologies into future OSS and OES science missions.

The NMP has successfully launched its first two Deep Space flights for the OSS, and is currently implementing its first two Earth Orbiting flights for the OES. The next OSS

and OES flights are currently being defined. Even though these flights are focused on specific Space Science and Earth Science themes, they are designed to validate a range of technologies that could benefit both enterprises, including advanced propulsion, communications, autonomous operations and navigation, multifunctional structures, micro-electronics, and advanced instruments. Specific examples of these technologies will be provided in our presentation.

The processes developed by the NMP also provide benefits across the Space and Earth Science enterprises. In particular, the extensive, nation-wide technology infrastructure developed by the NMP enhances the access to breakthrough technologies for both enterprises. The database of validated technologies being developed as part of the NMP technology infusion strategy should facilitate both future missions in the Enterprise Strategic Plans, and future Principal Investigator-led missions in the Earth System Science Pathfinder, Discovery, and Explorer Programs. To exploit these capabilities, validated NMP technologies are being referenced in the Announcements of Opportunity for these programs.

The NMP is currently evolving to address the changing environment in OSS and OES. Efforts to further reduce the cost and increase the frequency of NMP flights are being pursued to optimize the cost effectiveness of the technology validation activities. We are also working to enhance the coordination between NMP validation flights and other technology development efforts with NASA's cross-enterprise technology programs. Finally, NMP processes are being revised to make them more accessible to the science and technology communities, and to make greater use of open, peer-reviewed competitions for their participation.



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Ambitious Plans



Office of Earth Science



- EOS Post 2002
- LandSat Follow-on
- NPOES
- Advanced Geostationary
- ESSP



Office of Space Sciences

- Mars Exploration
- Outer Planets
- Discovery
- Solar Terrestrial Probes
- UNEX/SMEX/MIDEX
- Gravity Probe B/LISA
- Next Generation Space Telescope
- Space interferometry Mission/Terrestrial Planet Finder





Advanced Technologies: Essential to Achieve OES and OSS Objectives



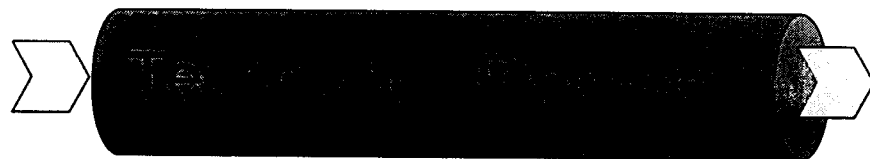
Science Missions



Impediments to Rapid Technology Infusion:

- Lack of flight heritage
 - real or perceived risks
 - cost
 - schedule
 - performance
- Little visibility to mission planners
 - capabilities poorly understood
 - A complete paradigm shift is needed to fully exploit some technologies

Impedance Mismatch

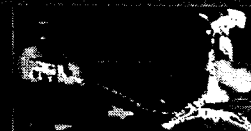
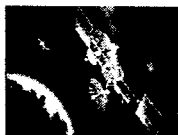




Cross-Enterprise Technology Thrust Areas

NMP

Office of Earth Science

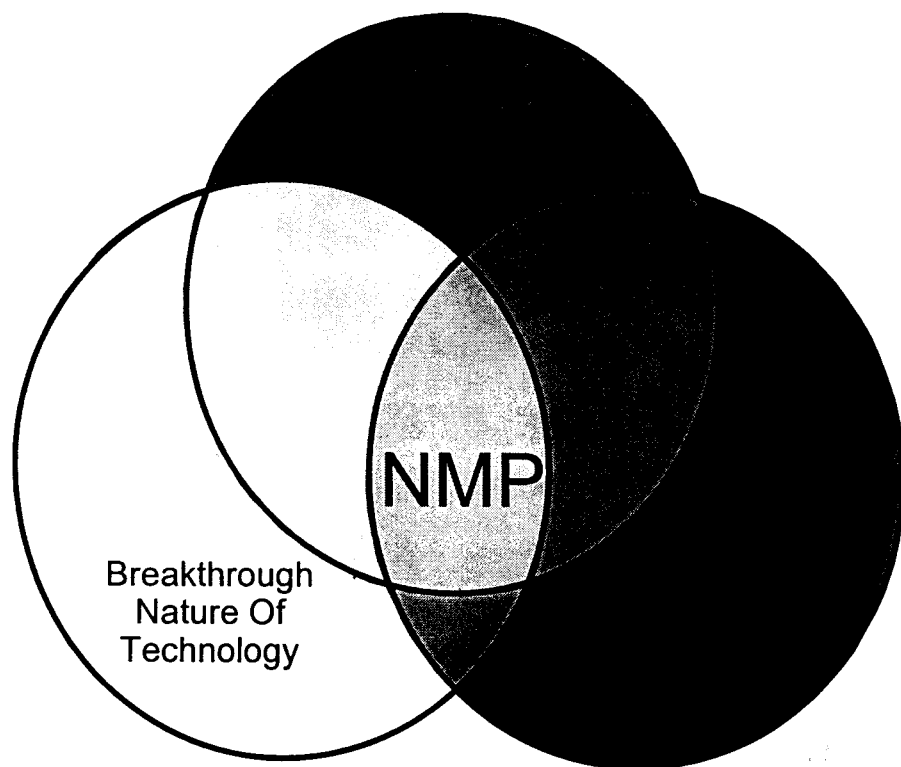




The New Millennium Program



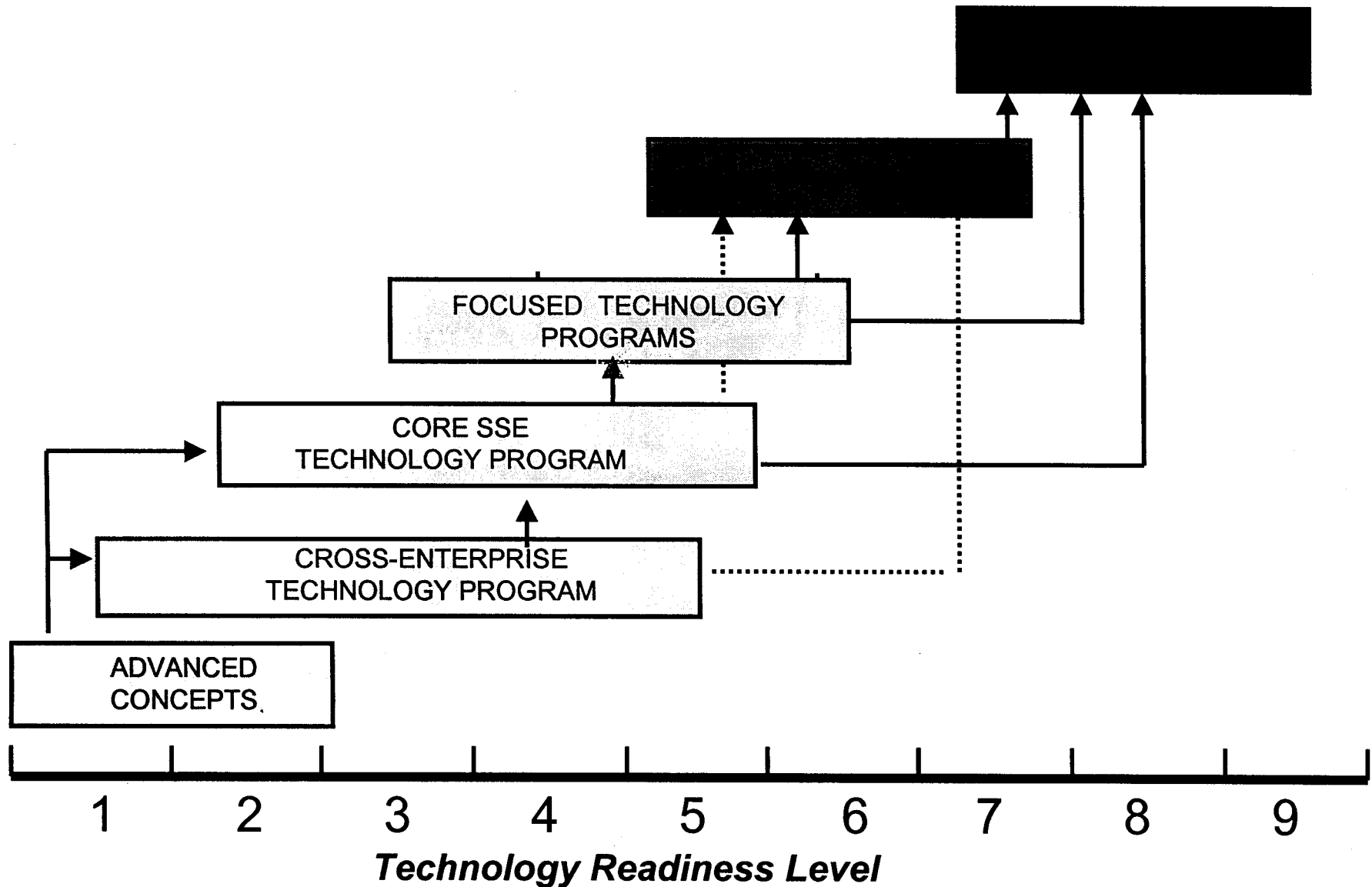
A cross-Enterprise program to identify and flight validate breakthrough technologies that will significantly benefit future Space Science and Earth Science missions



- Breakthrough technologies
 - Enable new capabilities to meet Earth and Space Science needs
 - Reduce costs of future missions
- Flight validation
 - mitigates risks to first users
 - enables rapid technology infusion into future missions



Technology Program Elements





Common Processes for Earth & Space Sciences Programs



Identification of Needs



Identification of Tech.



Project Formulation



Technology Selection



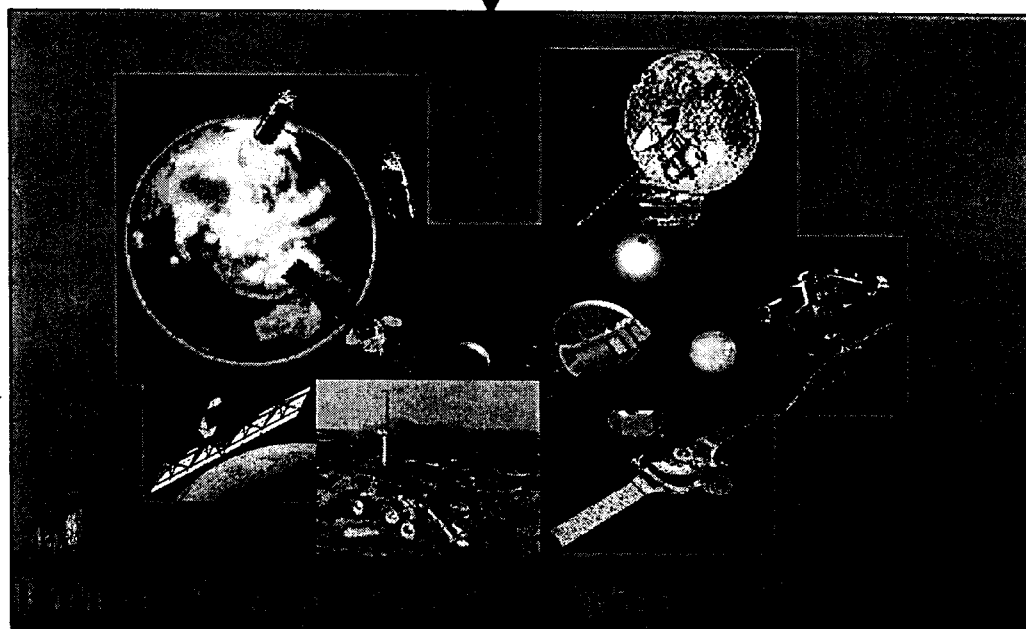
Project Implementation
& Tech Validation



Technology Infusion

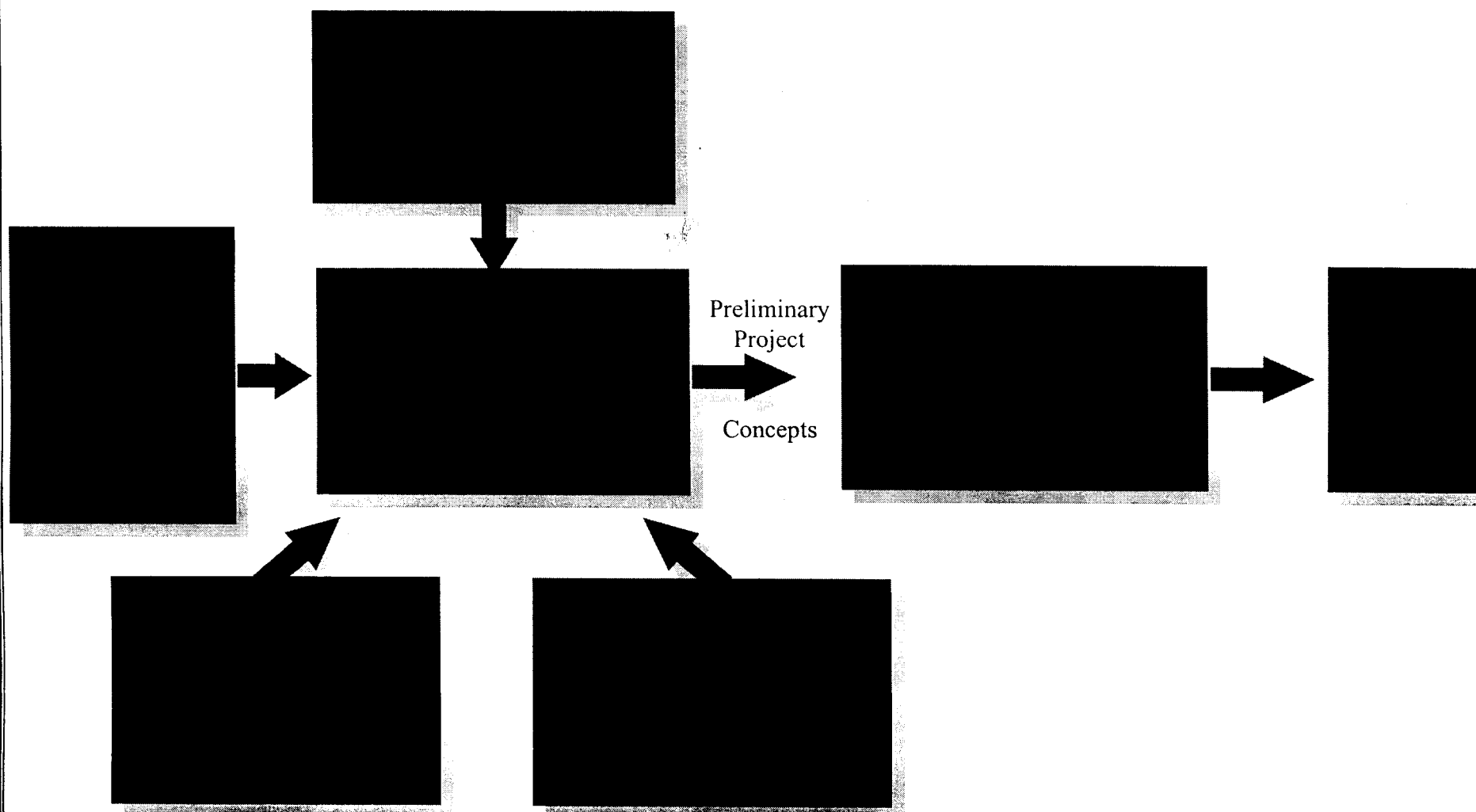


Needs & Opportunities





Flight Project Formulation Process





Technology Validation and Infusion



Technology Validation

Develop a plan for technology validation

Identify the technology to be validated

Develop a validation plan

Execute the plan

Report the results

Infusion Plan

Project Implementation

Implement

Develop a plan for implementation and execution

Identify the technology to be implemented

Develop a plan for implementation and execution

Implement the plan





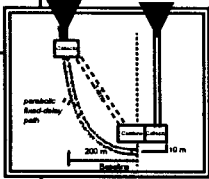

Assess the results of the implementation

Report the results



Validation Flights Launch Schedule



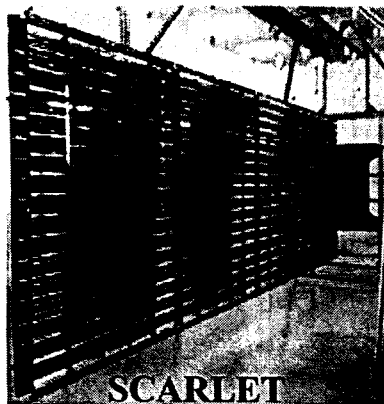
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DS1		▼ 10/98				
DS2		▼ 01/99				
EO1			▼ 12/99			
EO2				▼ 03/01		
ST3 target launch window						09/03 ▼
ST4 target launch date						04/03 ▼
Potential Small ST5 mission						▼
Potential EO3 / EO4						▼



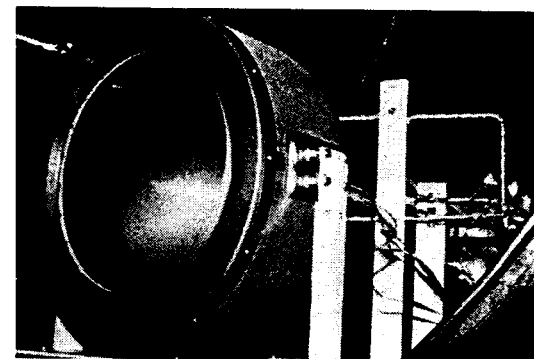
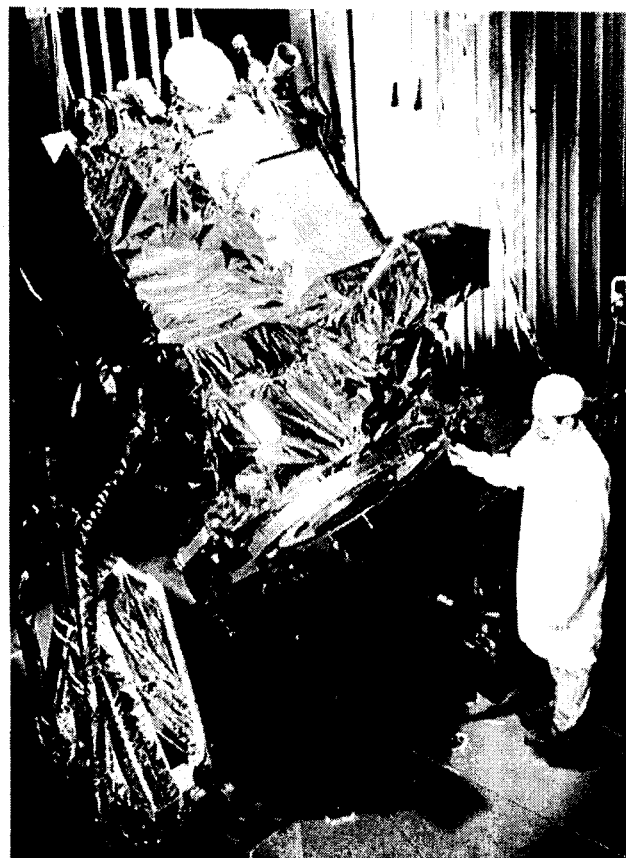
Deep Space One: Asteroid Flyby



- Validate Technologies for Rapid Access in Deep Space Exploration

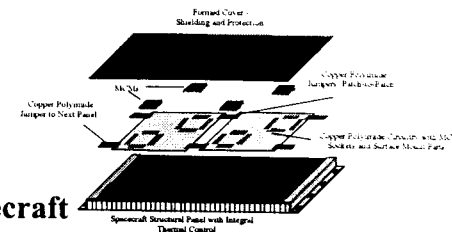


Advanced Solar Concentrator Array
Able Engineering Inc, BMDO, Entech, JPL, Lewis Research Center, & Tecstar



NSTAR Ion Propulsion System
Hughes, JPL, Lewis Research Center, MSFC, Moog Inc., Physical Science & Spectrum Astro

Multifunctional Structures
Air Force Phillips Lab & Lockheed Martin

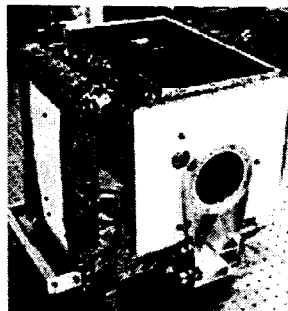
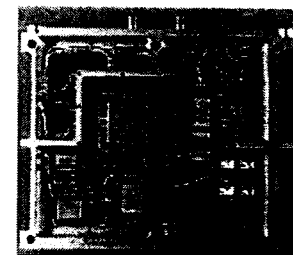


Spacecraft
Spectrum Astro, JPL

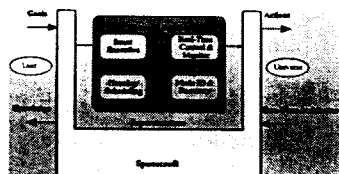
Small Deep Space Transponder
JPL & Motorola



Ka-Band Solid State Power Amplifier
Lockheed Martin

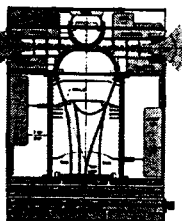


Miniature Integrated Camera Spectrometer
Boston U, JPL, Rockwell, SSG, Inc., USGS, & U of AZ

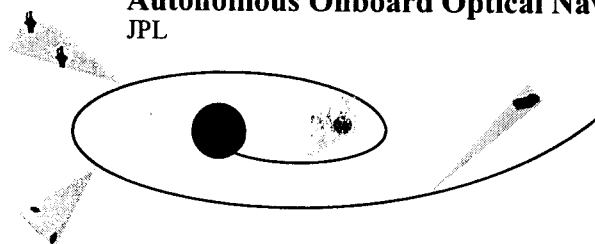


Autonomy Remote Agent Architecture
Ames Research Center, Carnegie Mellon U & JPL

Plasma Experiment for Planetary Exploration
SwRI & Los Alamos National Lab



Autonomous Onboard Optical Navigation
JPL





DS1 Technologies and Applications



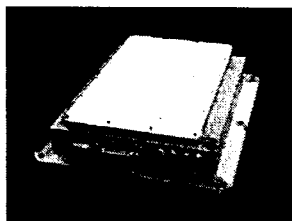
Technology	Description	Potential Earth Science Application/Benefit	Potential Space Science Application/Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ion Propulsion Engine • Solar Concentrator Array • Ka-band Solid State Power Amplifier • Deep Space Transponder • Remote Agent Experiment • Beacon Monitor Operations • Autonomous navigation • Miniature Imaging Camera Spectrometer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • save a factor of 2-3 in flight time while significantly increasing launch margin • provides a 7:1 solar concentration factor; offers significant array cost reduction due to the reduced (1/7) quantity of cells • most efficient (13%), highest power (2.6 W), space qualified • 3 times mass reduction and single unit architecture • provide faster response to in-flight situation (<1min vs. 3 days); reduce mission dev. cost and operations cost (>30%) • achieves large reduction in ops. staffing; reduces the loading on an already over constrained DSN • greatly reduce tracking, save nav. staff by a factor of 2-3, & enhance mission science • SiC structure and optics will allow for alignment and focus of optics at ambient temp with no change for operation at cryogenic temps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • station keeping • power generation • high band communication and freq. alternative • autonomous operations, event detection • autonomous operation • small camera/spectrometer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • primary propulsion & station keeping • power generation • high performance com • small & low mass communication • autonomous operations, uncertainty handling • autonomous operation • deep space navigation • small camera/spectrometer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miniature Ion and Electron Spectrometer • Low Power Electronics Experiment • Power Actuation and Switching Module • Multi-Functional Structures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3x reduction in mass, volume, & telemetry over SOA • 30x power reduction relative to current SOA ASICs • 1/4 the weight and 1/10 the power relative to current SOA • 5-10x reduction in mass and volume; offers the flex architecture to interconnect MCMs, MEMS sensors, and power subsystem 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • characterize the solar wind & ions, & magnetosphere • micro/nano spacecraft • instrument & spacecraft functions • instrument & spacecraft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • detection of ions & electrons • micro/nano spacecraft • instrument & spacecraft functions • instrument & spacecraft



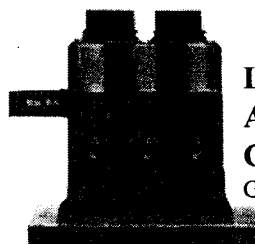
Earth Observer 1



Validation of 9 Breakthrough Technologies



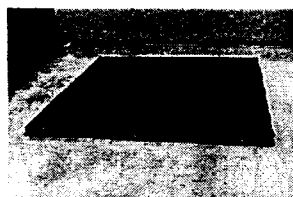
**X-Band Phased
Array Antenna:**
Boeing, GSFC & Lewis
Research Center



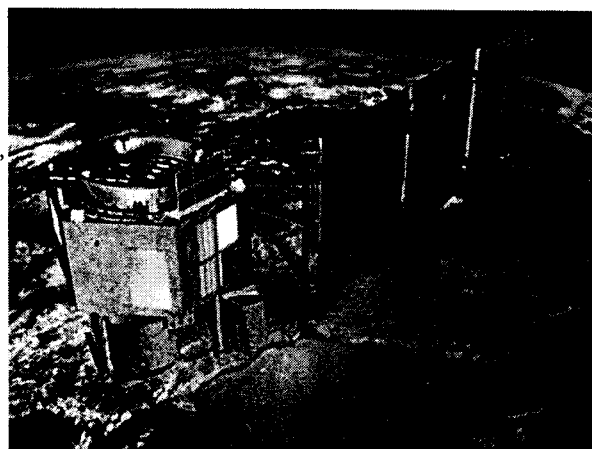
**Leisa
Atmospheric
Corrector:**
GSFC



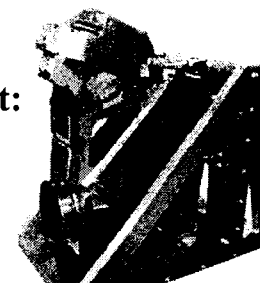
**Advanced
Land Imager:**
MIT Lincoln Lab,
GSFC, Raytheon /
Santa Barbara
Remote Sensing,
& Sensor Systems
Group



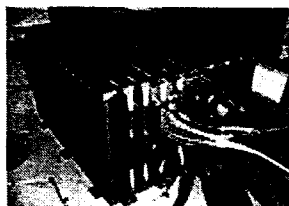
Carbon-Carbon Radiator:
Air Force Research Lab,
Amoco Polymers, BF Goodrich,
GSFC, Langley Research Center,
Lockheed Martin, Naval Surface
Warfare Center, & TRW



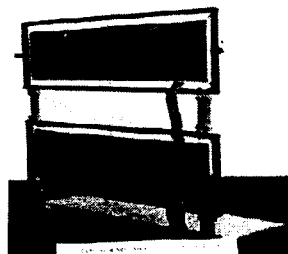
Spacecraft:
GSFC,
Litton,
SWALES



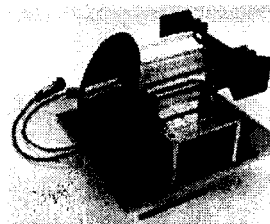
Hyperion:
GSFC, & TRW



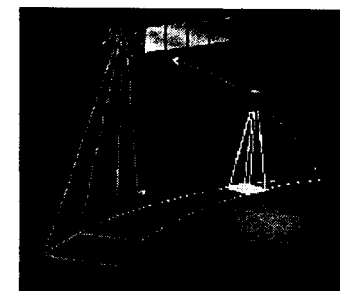
**Wideband
Advanced
Recorder
Processor:**
GSFC, Litton,
MIT Lincoln Lab,
Swales, & TRW



**Lightweight
Flexible
Solar Array:**
GSFC,
Lockheed Martin,
& Phillips Lab



**Pulsed
Plasma
Thruster:**
GSFC,
Lewis Research
Center & PRIMEX



**Enhanced
Formation
Flying**
GSFC, JPL



Earth Observer One

Technologies & Applications



Technology	Description	Potential Earth Science Application/Benefit	Potential Space Science Application/Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hyperspectral/Multispectral imaging spectrometer • Hyperion instrument with advanced E-Beam Gratings • Atmospheric Corrector • X-band Phased Array Low Cost Antenna Demo • Enhanced Formation Flying • Carbon-Carbon Radiator • Lightweight Solar Array (LSA) • Pulsed Plasma Thrusters (PPT) • Wideband Advanced Recorder/Processor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • multi-spectral (10 bands), high spatial resolution (30m) in the visible and near infrared spectral range with the goal of 5% absolute radiometric accuracy • E-beam lithography produces high efficiency convex gratings at very low cost • low cost, bolt on instrument provides correction of land imaged data for atm absorption. Improves accuracy of land imaging product • provides high gain downlinks while reducing the need for a mechanical gimbals • synchronous science measurements on multiple spacecraft, weather & land-imaging collection 8-16 times faster than current Landsat or TIROS • 30-50% mass savings w. thermal conductivity 10-500 W/m-K • $\geq 100\text{W/kg}$ array, low storage volume, jitter free shockless deployment • high specific impulse (900-1200 sec), very low impulse bits (10-1000uN-s) at low average power (<1 to 100W). • > 40Gbits of storage, data throughout is 5.5x that of Landsat 7. It is 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • precursor for the Landsat instrument • possible replacement for multi-spectral (Landsat) imaging • future Earth imaging missions (e.g. RESOURCE 21) is considering this tech. • baselined by future Earth science missions including EOS missions • highly probable for use by EOS, Magnetospheric Multi-scale & Mag. Constellation missions • being considered by SBIRS, lo & hi • being considered by SBIR lo & hi, Nat Polar-Orbiting Operational Env. Sat. • being considered by Constellation X • applicable to Earth science missions with high data rate requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • applicable to space science multi-spectral remote sensing • applicable to space science multi-spectral remote sensing • provide multi-spectral capability for deep space • applicable to space science missions requiring X-band communication • applicable to Solar Probe, Space Time- Midex • being considered by NGST, ST5 & other OSS missions • cited by Midex and SMEX proposals • applicable to space science missions with high data rate requirements



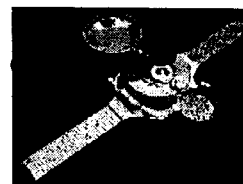
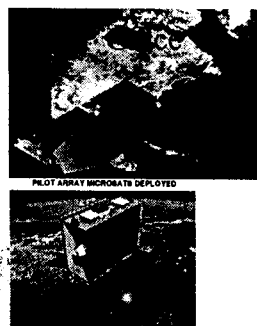
Common Benefits of Processes



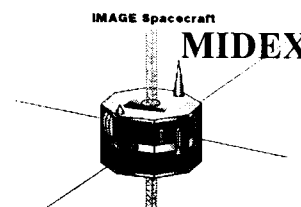
- Enhanced NASA's technology community through partnerships
 - Industry
 - Academia
 - Government Laboratories
- Infusions into future missions
 - Future projects using NMP validated technologies
 - Technology database for PI missions
 - New capabilities enable new opportunities
 - MIDEX/SMEX/Discovery/ESSP



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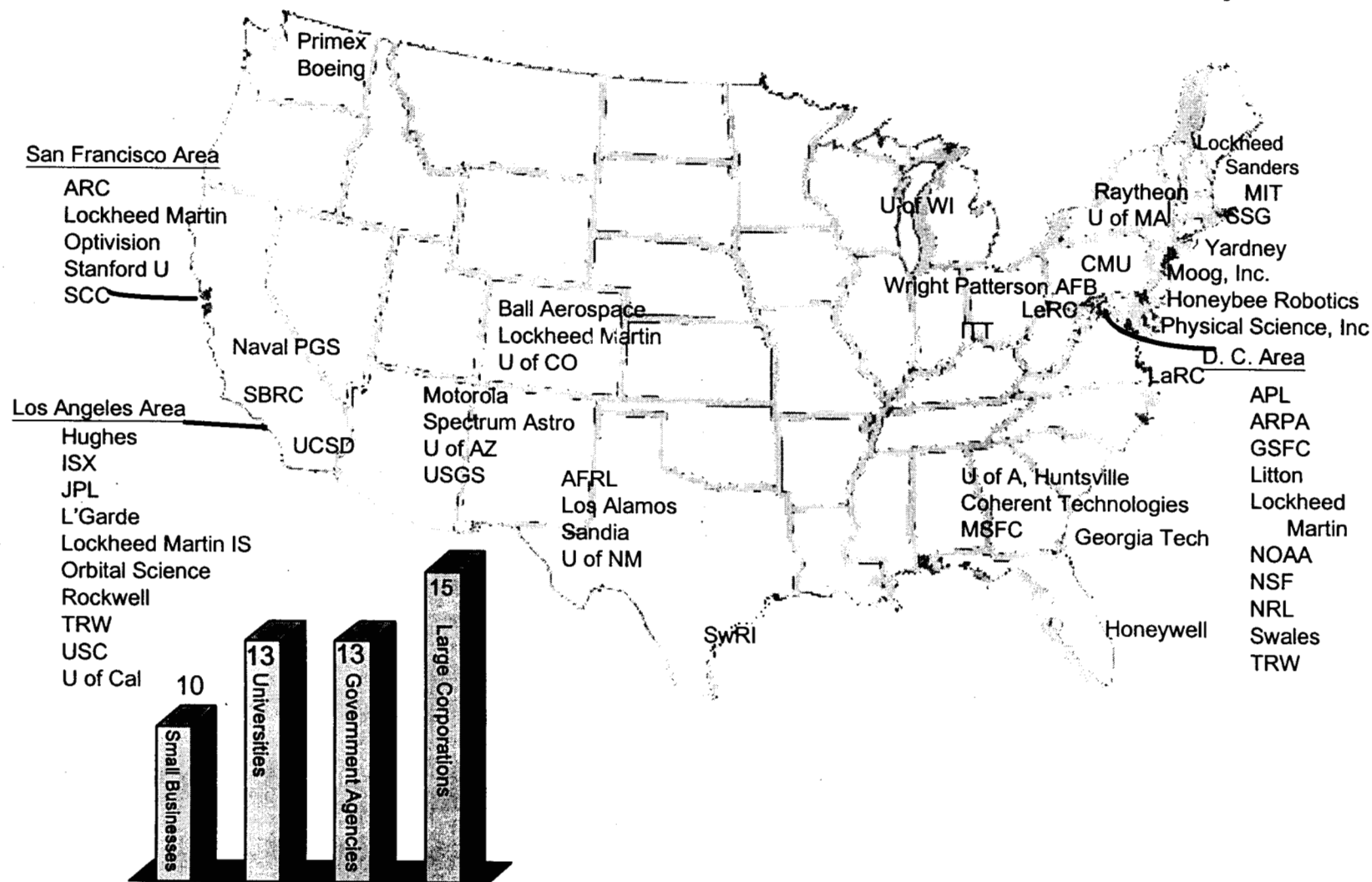


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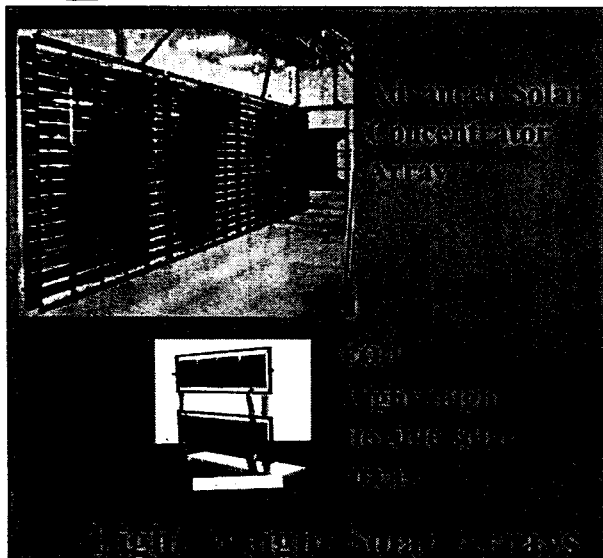


Enhanced NASA's Technology Community through Partnerships (NMP Flight Team & Technology Partners)

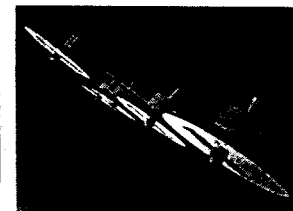
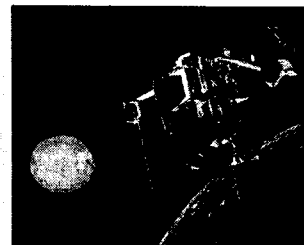




Solar Electric Propulsion Future Users



Space Science



Benefits of Solar Electric Propulsion

- Transportation
- Formation Flying
- Station Keeping/Orbit Maintenance



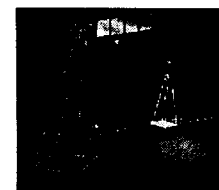
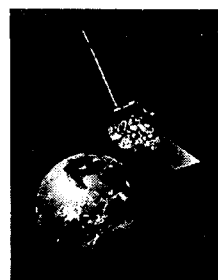
NSTAR
Ion
Propulsion



EOI

Pulsed
Plasma
Thruster

Electric Propulsion

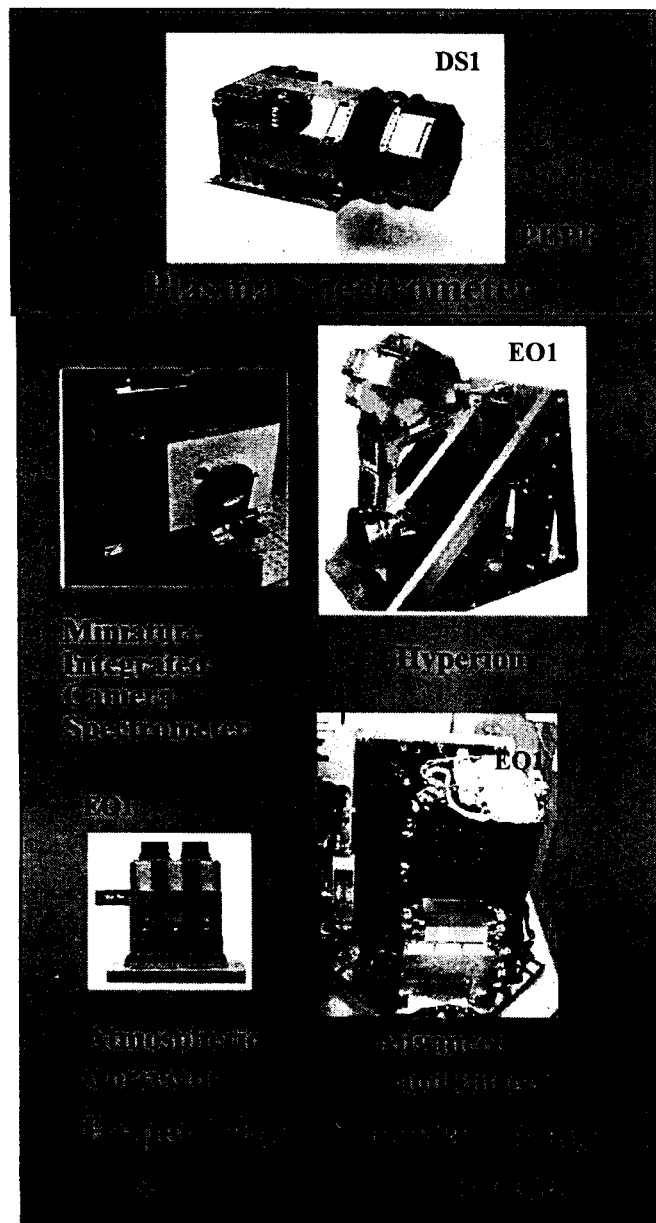


ESSP

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Hyper/Multi-Spectral Imagers & Spectrometers Future Users



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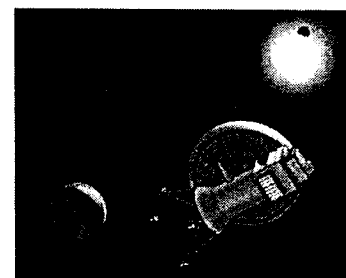
- Potential replacement for multi-spectral Landsat imaging
- Hyper-spectral imaging spectrometer provides new observational capabilities



- Planetary & solar plasma scientists have proposed to use copies of the PEPE instrument for future missions
- Validation of an all SiC optical instrument covering the FUV to SWIR will enable many new miniature, low-mass cameras and spectrometers



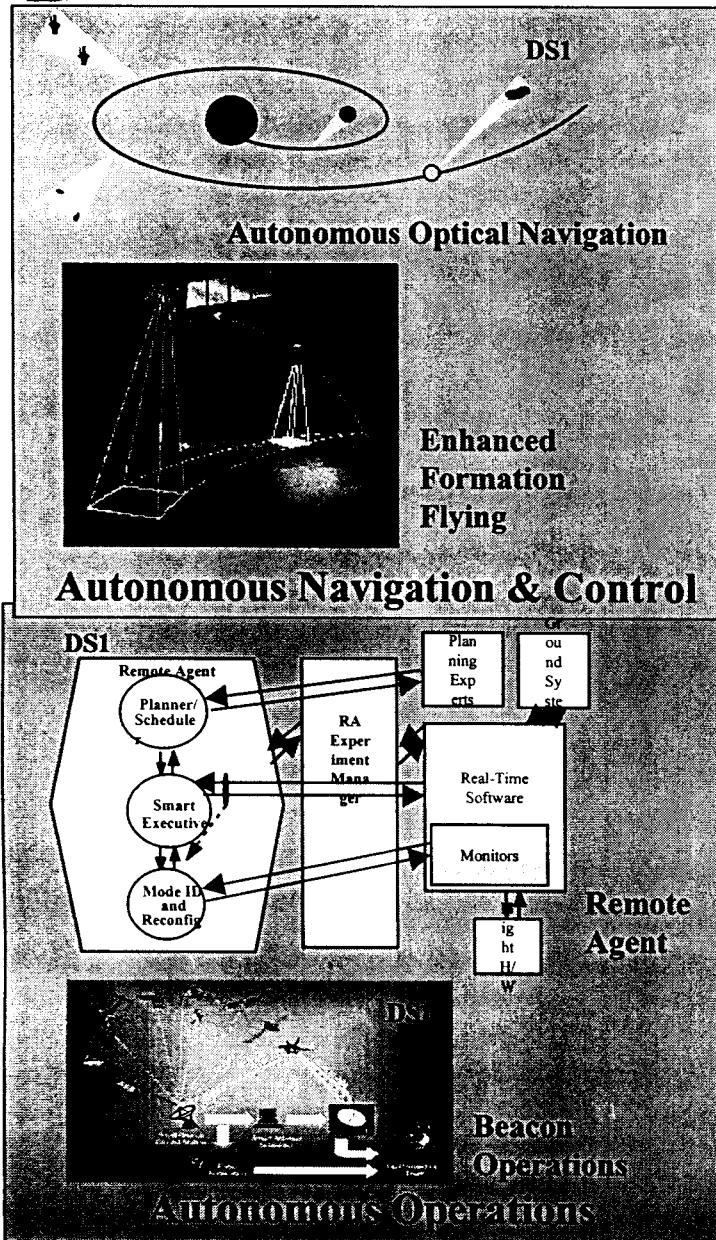
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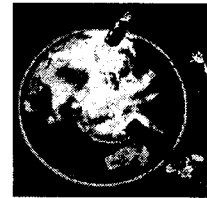
- MICAS camera design will be proposed for Pluto Flyby mission



Thinking Spacecraft Future Users

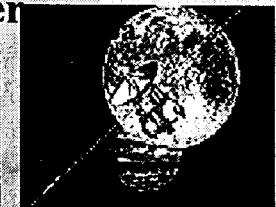


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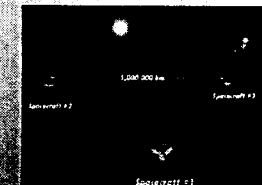
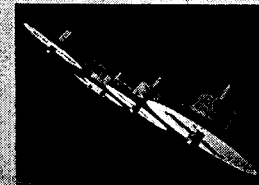


- Formation flying and/or autonomous operations for EOS and ESSP Missions
- Magnetospheric Multiscale, Magnetospheric Constellation
- Self monitoring for Europa Orbiter, MIDEX proposals & Earth orbiters

Autonomous optical navigation for Stardust, and Europa Orbiter



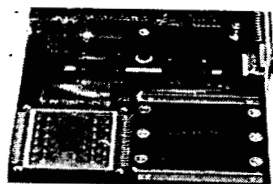
- Automatic sequencing & real time control for interferometer instruments such as TPF and LISA



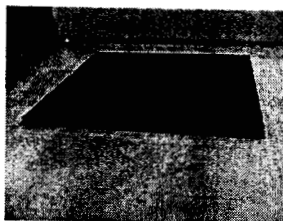
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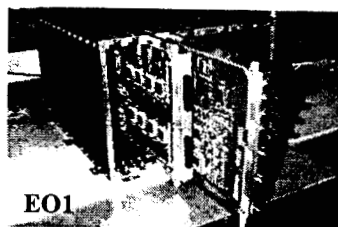
Micro-Nano Spacecraft's Future Users



Multifunctional structure



Carbon-carbon radiator



Wideband
Advanced
Recorder/Processor

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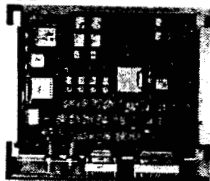
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Advanced Micro Controller

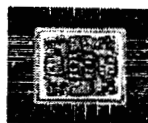
Small Deep Space
Transponder

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Low Power Electronics

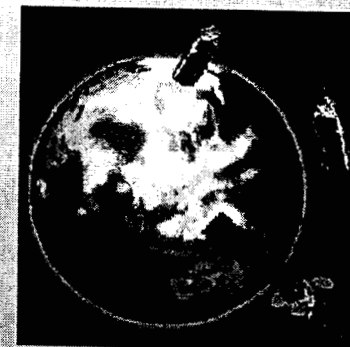
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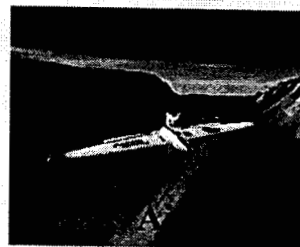
Power switching module

**Innovations that simplify design, fabrication,
reduces mass & reduce resource requirements**

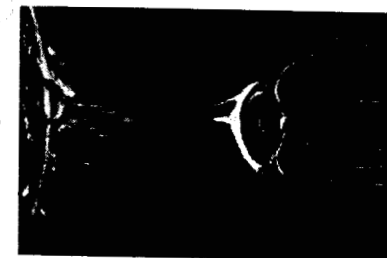
Earth Science



- Potential for EOS Follow-On
- ESSP



- Mars Micro missions
- STP Magnetospheric
Multiscale Mission
- Discovery
- UNEX/SMEX/MIDEX



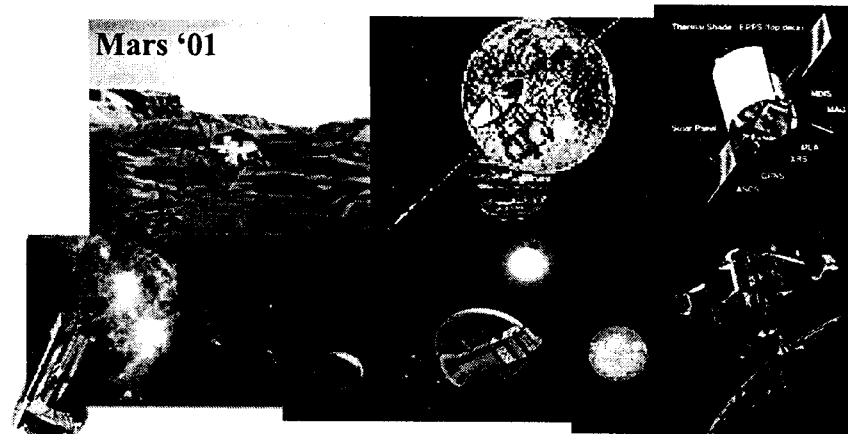
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High Data Rate Future Users



Space Science



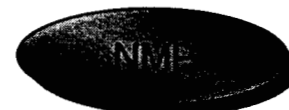
- Reduces mass, volume & mechanical complexity for high data rate missions
- Essential for high-bandwidth spectral imaging instrument and active instruments (radars/lidars)



Earth Science



Technology database for PI missions - Advanced Land Imager



**New capabilities enable new opportunities
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Technology Readiness Database for Discovery 1998

System or Subsystem (from Level 2 WBS) Advanced Land Imager	POC Name/Org: Nick Speciale POC Phone: (301)286-8704 POC E-mail: speciale@pop500.gsfc.nasa.gov
Technology Name and Supporting UPN or other funding source NMP EO-1 UPN: 246	URL for Additional Information: http://eol.gsfc.nasa.gov/

Description of Technology:

The Advanced Land Imager (ALI) is the centerpiece of the New Millennium, Earth Orbiter-1 mission and will validate technologies contributing to the reduction in cost of future land imaging missions such as the Landsat series or earth imaging missions. The ALI will provide multi-spectral (10 bands), high spatial resolution (30km) in the visible and near infrared spectral range (.5 to 2.5 um) with the goal of 5% absolute radiometric accuracy. The EO-1 mission will fly in formation with Landsat 7 and collect more than 200 common scenes for comparison.

The ALI will be a factor of 4 less in mass and 5 less in power than the Landsat 7 Enhanced Thematic Mapper (ETM+). The flight validation of key ALI technologies should lead to dramatically reduced cost and complex Landsat type missions. Some of the key technologies are:

- 1> Silicon Carbide Optics which are extremely lightweight optics that are stable over a wide range of temperatures. The goal is to demonstrate how well the Silicon Carbide maintain stable performance in a space environment.
- 2> Wide field, high resolution reflective optics which provides a full Landsat scene swath width (185km) and resolution using a simple push broom design. This technique will enable much lower cost instrumentation for future Landsat mission through use of non-mechanical scanning and reduced instrument complexity.
- 3> Multi-spectral imaging capability, the modular focal plane assembly provides substantial mass and power savings over comparable mechanical scanning instruments through innovative electro-optical design. Additionally, an innovative on-board calibration system will enable better characterization of instrument performance during observations.

Applicability

The ALI is a pathfinder to higher performance and lower cost land imaging instruments which meet the demanding Earth Science Enterprises requirements for remote sensing applications.

Benefit to Earth Science Missions

The ALI technologies reducing the mass, power, complexity and cost of future earth imaging systems for the Earth Science Program. A fully operational ALI has potential for reducing the cost and size of future Landsat type instruments by a factor of four to five.

Development Status and Plans for Flight Readiness

Technology Maturity	Description	Date (to be) Completed
Component and/or breadboard validation in relevant environment		
System/subsystem model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment (ground or space)	The flight ALI is currently undergoing integration at Lincoln Labs. The flight telescope has been delivered and the flight focal plane will be delivered in the mid- June timeframe. Calibration will occur in the Aug to November 1998 timeframe	Dec 1998
System prototype demonstration in a space environment	The ALI will be launched on the EO-1	May 1999
Actual system completed and "flight qualified" through test and demonstration (ground or space)	The ALI technologies will be fully flight qualified after it has completed one year of operation in the space environment	May 2001
Actual system "flight proven" through successful mission operations	ALI science objectives will be fully met after ALI completes land imaging for an entire growing season	Sept 2001





Technology database for PI missions - NSTAR Electric Propulsion



New capabilities enable new opportunities MIDEX/SMEX/Discovery/ESSP

Technology Readiness Database for Discovery 1998

System or Subsystem (from Level 2 WBS) Spacecraft Propulsion System	POC Name/Org: J. F. Stocky POC Phone: (818) 354-5358 POC E-mail: john.f.stocky@jpl.nasa.gov
Technology Name and Supporting UPN or other funding source NSTAR Solar Electric Propulsion UPNs: 242, 632, 839	URL for Additional Information:

Description of Technology:

NSTAR is a high-specific-impulse solar electric propulsion system for deep space primary propulsion. The NSTAR system consists of five principal elements:

1. A 30-cm ion thruster capable of processing 83 kg at power levels between 500 W and 2,500 W and providing 93 milli-N of thrust and an I_{sp} of 3,120 lb_r-sec/lb_m at maximum power.
2. A power processing unit (PPU) capable of providing the necessary voltages and currents required by the ion thruster from an input power source providing between 80 V and 160 V. Each power processing unit can control two ion thrusters sequentially, but not simultaneously.
3. A digital control interface unit (DCIU) that provides the command and telemetry interface with the spacecraft, which controls the power processing unit - establishing proper set points for each throttle level commanded by the spacecraft, and which controls the flow rates provided by the propellant storage and control system.
4. A propellant storage and control system (PSCS) that provides Xenon to the ion engine at the flow rates commanded by the DCIU for each throttle level.
5. A diagnostics measurement system to measure induced fields during ion thruster operation to help verify the performance of the ion propulsion system and to measure the effect of its operation on the space plasma near the spacecraft. The diagnostics system is not required for operational use of the ion propulsion system.

Applicability

The NSTAR engine is applicable to many deep space missions, and particularly valuable for missions to distant or high delta-v targets.

Benefit to Deep Space Missions

NSTAR provides significantly higher specific impulse than conventional chemical propulsion. This translates into a smaller mass of fuel required to accelerate a spacecraft to a given velocity. On missions to distant objects or trajectories requiring a large delta-v, where the fuel mass is a significant factor, a smaller fuel load at launch can mean a smaller, lower cost launch vehicle, or it can be traded for higher spacecraft velocity or a shorter cruise time to the target for a given launch vehicle capacity.

Development Status and Plans for Flight Readiness

Technology Maturity	Description	Date (to be) Completed
Component and/or breadboard validation in relevant environment		
System/subsystem model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment (ground or space)	An engineering model ion thruster, functionally identical to the flight ion thruster, was tested for 8,000 hours at full power. The flight ion thruster, PPU, and DCIU have been protoflight qualified.	Completed
System prototype demonstration in a space environment		
Actual system completed and "flight qualified" through test and demonstration (ground or space)	The flight ion thruster, PPU, DCIU, and Xenon feed system have been environmentally and functionally qualified to protoflight levels prior to use on DS1. A long-duration test with flight hardware processing 125 lb _m of Xenon and using the full throttle range of the system	Completed Dec. 2000
Actual system "flight proven" through successful mission operations	Complete mission profile as primary propulsion system for DS1	Dec. 2000





Technology database for PI missions - Advanced Micro Controller



New capabilities enable new opportunities MIDEX/SMEX/Discovery/ESSP

Technology Readiness Database for Discovery 1998

System or Subsystem (from Level 2 WBS) Advanced Micro Controller (AMC)	POC Name/Org: Frank Deligiannis/JPL and Jim Lyke / Air Force Research Lab POC E-mail: jlyke@plk.af.mil
Technology Name and Supporting UPN or other funding source	URL for Additional Information: http://pr.s.plk.af.mil/AMP/IMRG/aic.html

Description of Technology

The Advanced Microcontroller (AMC) is the world's smallest space-qualified self-contained computer with analog interface capability. It was designed for high-impact, cold-temperature applications on the Martian surface (30,000 G's, -120 deg C). The AMC has modest amounts of computing power (about the equivalent of an old "Apple II" computer), but achieves this in the size of a postage stamp (0.8" x 1.2"), the mass of a few potato chips (3 grams), and 1/20th watt of electrical power. Unlike an "Apple II", the AMC packs an impressive built-in instrumentation capability: six serial communications ports, 32 digital discrete lines, an additional 32 analog input lines, and eight presettable analog outputs. The AMC runs off of its own internal clocks (either 10 MHz or 200 Hz for ultra-low-power) or an externally provided time reference. Perhaps one of the most intriguing features of the AMC is its reconfigurable programming. Unlike many other computers, the AMC can be reprogrammed up until final integration, under electrical control: no de-integration is required. This versatility can save many thousands of dollars in any application. The AMC can also "save" data to its non-volatile memory, giving the AMC enough "smarts" to finish a task when interrupted by power removal, which is expected to occur at several points during the Deep Space II mission.

Applicability

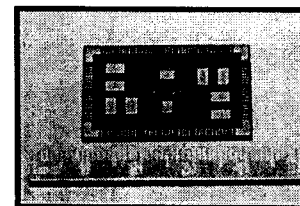
Potential to support numerous applications where modest amounts of processing are required in dimensionally-constrained and/or remote locations for a minimal size, weight, and power consumption. Such applications include motor controllers, cryocooler refrigerator controllers, distributed health and status monitoring systems, configuration management processors, safety interlock protocol management, security systems, miniature weapons computers, space probe central control processor, beacon processor, jet engine control. Will be useful in large satellites and high-performance systems as well, since those systems also have needs for lower tier processing, which can be offloaded to one or more AMC units.

Benefit to Deep Space Missions

Extremely high function-to-power, measured not just in the raw processor performance but in the degree of functionality accommodated. A single AIC can monitor and control a large variety of signals in low-level instrumentation. Multiple units can be employed with less size, weight, and power penalty than a single copy of any other system in its class. It can operate with extreme cold, radiation, and shock, and new versions can be quickly developed with much higher radiation tolerance.

Development Status and Plans for Flight Readiness

Technology Maturity	Description	Date (to be) Completed
Component and/or breadboard Validation in relevant environment	Prototyped breadboards and MCMs tested to -130 deg C, drop shock tests	Boards have operated since July 1997; MCMs since Feb 97; drop shocks planned for mid-1998
System/subsystem model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment (ground or space)	Prototyped breadboards and MCMs tested to -130 deg C, drop shock tests	Boards have operated since July 1997; MCMs since Feb 97; drop shocks planned for mid-1998
System prototype demonstration in a space environment	In Deep Space II and Space Test Research Vehicle 1D; Analog portions in X2000	Both missions in 1999; DS2 is interplanetary; STRV is harsh radiation environment
Actual system completed and "flight qualified" through test and demonstration (ground or space)	MCM form only	Qualification summer 1998
Actual system "flight proven" through successful mission operations	After launch will be tested in STRV1-d and operated in DS2. Other space missions are evaluating AMC for use.	mid-1999 for STRV1-D and late 1999 for DS2



Advanced Micro Controller



NMP Technology Covers Wide Spectrum of Opportunities



Cross-Enterprise Technology Program Thrust Areas

Current NMP Validation Contributions (DS1,2 & EO1,2)

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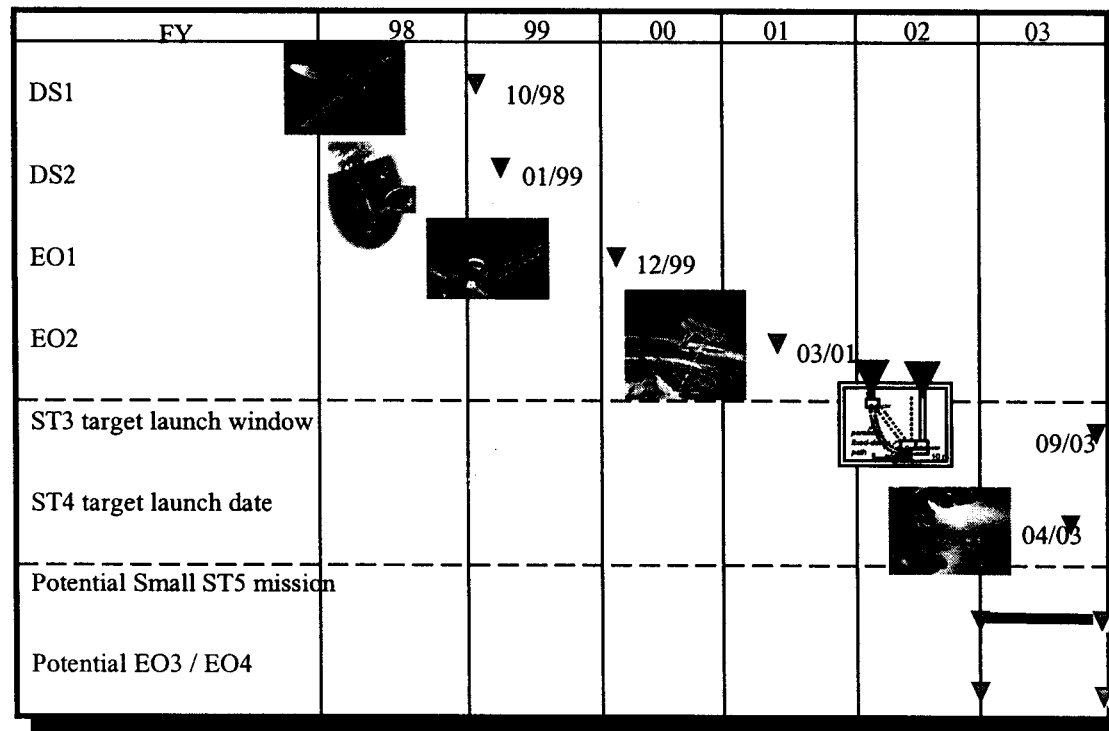
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